Government Servants' Conduct Rules - Acceptance of hospitality from commercial firms, etc.

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA.

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Government has decided that for purposes of the Conduct Rules applicable to the State Government employees, the term "Gift", acceptance of which would normally constitute a misconduct, should include free transport, boarding, lodging or other service or any other pecuniary advantage when provided by any person other than a near relative or personal friend having no official dealings with the Government servant. Consequently, Government is pleased to direct as follows:-

- i) Every Government servant should avoid accepting lavish hospitality or frequent hospitality from any individual having official dealings with him or from industrial or commercial firms, organisations, etc.
- ii) Government servants should neither accept, nor be permitted to accept, offers of the cost of passage to foreign countries and hospitality by

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way of free board and lodging there made by firms - either Indian or foreign - contracting with Government either directly or in the case of foreign firms through their agents/representatives in India. The only exception to this will, however, be in respect of facilities for training abroad offered by foreign firms (who obtain re-imbursement from the foreign Government conerned) as part of aid programmes. A Government servant can avail of such facilities according to the standing orders in regard to deputation of Government servants for training or higher studies abroad with the approval of the appropriate authorities.

2. These instructions should be brought to the notice of all Government servants for strict compliance.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

K. P. NADKARNI,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To

The Secretary to the Governor,

The Private Secretary to the Chief Minister,

The Prothonotary and Senior Master, High Court, Bombay (by letter),

The Registrar, High Court (Appellate Side), Bombay (by letter),

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